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TOPIC Schoenwalde Airfield

EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED

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REMARKS

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1. The following air activity was observed at Schoenwalde airfield between 26 June and 4 July 1952:

26 June. At noon, a biplane landed at the field. Two Tu-2s took off in rapid succession at 12:30 p.m. One Tu-2 landed at 1 and at 1:15 p.m. respectively. Shortly afterwards, two Tu-2s again took off. Flying by two Tu-2s, which practiced taking off and landing, still continued at 5 p.m. Red propeller hubs were observed on individual Tu-2s. Nine Tu-2s, 1 Li-2 and the biplane which had landed at the field at noon were observed in front of the hangars.

30 June. About 2 p.m., no flying was observed. A high-wing monoplane and 12 Tu-2s were observed at the field.

1 July. The following take-offs and landings were observed:

Take-off	Aircraft	Landing	Aircraft
9:35 a.m.	1 Tu-2	10:42 a.m.	1 Tu-2
10:10 "	1 Tu-2	11:10 "	1 Tu-2
11:00 "	1 Tu-2	11:30 "	1 Tu-2
11:15 " to 11:20 "	5 Tu-2s	12:15 p.m.	1 Tu-2
11:30 "	1 Tu-2	12:50 "	1 Tu-2
11:45 "	2 Tu-2s	1:00 "	1 Tu-2
1:00 p.m.	1 high-wing monoplane		

Flying still continued at 5 p.m.

4 July. Air activity was not as intensive as on 1 July. At about 1 p.m. a high-wing monoplane and a biplane took off. Six Tu-2s, a high-wing monoplane and a biplane were parked at the field. (1)

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2. On 2 and 3 July, five civilians surveyed at the southeastern edge of the field. (2)
3. After 30 June, eight tents were observed on the northern edge of the field. AA guns were probably located nearby. (3)

25X1 4. [redacted] from Oranienburg that flying activity was intensified at Schoenwalde airfield on 1 July. At about 6 p.m. on 4 July, a formation of about 24 twin-engine planes crossed Oranienburg coming from the direction of Schoenwalde. (4) After 4 July almost every day between 9 and 11 p.m., individual planes with position lights were observed coming from the direction of Schoenwalde. The searchlights at Schoenwalde airfield were in operation at night after 1 July.

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[redacted] Comments.

- (1) These statements confirm that Schoenwalde airfield is still occupied by an air unit equipped with Tu-2s. [redacted]

25X1 [redacted] the unit at the field is a target-tow unit the aircraft of which are assigned as tow planes to all fighter regiments of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army. The 12 Tu-2s observed on 30 June 1952 is the largest number so far observed at the field. On this day, all aircraft of the unit were probably at the field.

- (2) Surveying work indicates that construction is to be performed at the field. The type of work is unknown.
- (3) Besides an air force unit, army troops, including a unit of the 31st AAA Div, are stationed at the field. The AA guns observed on the northern edge of the field probably belong to the unit of the 31st AAA Div.

25X1 (4) [redacted] not mention the type of the 24 twin-engine planes it cannot be determined to which unit the planes were assigned or whether the aircraft took off from Schoenwalde airfield.

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